

The Regional Municipality of Durham
Durham Advisory Committee on Homelessness

COVID-19 Homelessness Response Network
April 20th, 2020

1. Welcome and Attendance
 - a. Please make sure you write your name and organization in the chat function of the WebEx to ensure your participation is recorded.
2. Updates from Homelessness Initiatives Team
 - a. COVID-19 Emergency Shelter Response
 - i. Shelter operator updates
 - ii. Hotel isolation updates Phase 2
 - On-site staff resources
 - Lakeridge Health virtual supports for RAAM services
 - Virtual supports for mental health and counselling
 - Additional resources
 - iii. Camp Samac facility update
 - Update on use of space for expansion of shelter system
 - Durham Region Transit bus route for access
 - Continued discussion on staffing resources for this site
 - iv. Next steps
 - b. COVID-19 Unsheltered Response
 - i. Centralized locations for washroom/shower facility update
 - ii. Next steps
 - c. COVID-19 Relief Response
 - i. Continued discussion on the Housing Stability Program
 - ii. Next steps
 - d. PPE for homelessness support providers
 - i. Reminder to contact Stephanie for orders
3. Urgent Items
 - a. First Light Foundation of Hope – temporary displacement due to pipe burst
4. Funding
 - a. CHPI funding: \$2.83M
 - i. Update on funding being used to support homelessness response
 - b. Reaching Home funding: \$1.86M
 - i. Update on funding being used to support homelessness response
 - c. Community Response Fund: to make funds available to non-profit organizations in Durham Region supporting homeless residents during COVID-19.
 - i. Application update

5. Movement between Regions

- a. Discussion on increasing numbers of residents leaving Toronto to access shelter space in Durham – what are you seeing?
- b. How do we address this?

6. Agency Updates

- a. What is working and not working
- b. Unmet needs and strategies moving forward
- c. Collaborative efforts and opportunities: Does anyone have anything that they can provide to help the homelessness support system?

7. Next Meeting

- a. Meetings will be scheduled every Monday from 1:00pm-3:00pm
- b. Send any agenda items to Alyxandra.Riddell@durham.ca by end of day Thursday to be added to the following Monday's agenda